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For: NITRIC OXIDE-RELEASING METALLIC MEDICAL DEVICES

1.	Type o	f Application
This ne	w applica	ation is for a(n)
	Ø	Original (non provisional)
	Ħ	Design
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		Continuation
2.	Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 USC 119(e), 120, or 121)	
		The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application serial number 09/567579 filed May 10, 2000.
3.	Papers Enclosed	
	A. 22	Required for filing date under 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(Regular) or 37 CFR § 1.153 (Design Application) pages of specification
	3	pages of claims
	3	sheets of drawings (do not submit original drawings)
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		The enclosed drawing(s) are photograph(s), and there is also attached a "PETITION TO ACCEPT
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	5	Pages of declaration and oath (informal)
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